



# The Town Crier

A Newsletter from the Town of Warrenton



## Meet Ward 4's New Councilman

The Warrenton Town Council is pleased to welcome Robert H. Kravetz as the new Town Councilman for Ward 4.

Mr. Kravetz was elected to the position in a May 1 election for which he ran unopposed. Mr. Kravetz will assume his position July 1.

He takes over for Samuel B. Tarr, who had served on the Town Council for thirteen years. Mr. Tarr decided not to run again.

A prior resident of Warrenton, Mr. Kravetz returned to Warrenton in 2010. He brings with him a distinguished 34-year-long career with the Federal Government. He retired in 2001 as Executive Director of the Office of Adjudicatory Services, a branch of the U.S. Department of Labor. His government career also includes service with the Defense Intelligence Agency and the Federal Labor Relations Authority.

Mr. Kravetz received his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from the George Washington University in 1967. He then furthered his education at the National Judicial College, Reno, NV, and the Federal Executive Institute Residential Program in Charlottesville, VA.

Mr. Kravetz is a volunteer member of the Board of Directors of the Department of Labor Federal Credit Union, and also served as a board member for an Arizona-based credit union for three years. He continues to teach seminars on leadership and governance.

Mr. Kravetz looks forward to representing the citizens of Ward 4, one of the larger wards within the Town limits. Ward 4 encompasses most of the Town west of Broadview



*Mr. Robert H. Kravetz became Ward 4's Councilman after the Town's May 1 election.*

and Shirley Avenues. His term as Ward 4 Councilman runs through the summer of 2016.

He may be reached at his home, (540) 349-2012, or by e-mail at [BobKravetzWard4@gmail.com](mailto:BobKravetzWard4@gmail.com). ■

## The Warrenton Farmers' Market... Celebrating the Freshness of Virginia's Piedmont Since 1975



### Saturday Market

Running thru November 17  
7:00 AM – 12 Noon  
Corner of Lee Street and  
S. Fifth Street, Old Town

### Wednesday Market

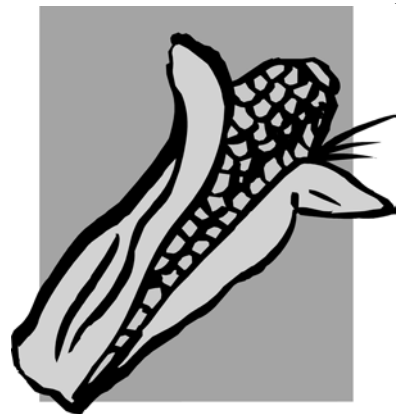
Running thru October 31  
7:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
Fauquier Hospital Campus,  
by the entrance to the Bistro

*For more information, please contact  
the Town of Warrenton at (540) 347-2405.*

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## Warrenton Farmers' Market Returns for its 37th Season

The Warrenton Farmers' Market is back for its 37th season, and is open for business. A staple in the community for the past 36 years, this year's Farmers' Market promises to be bigger and better than ever.



The Saturday Market, held at the corner of Lee and S. Fifth Streets in Old Town, will run through November 19th. This market is held from 7:00 AM -12 Noon each Saturday, and offers fresh local produce, organic produce, baked goods, herbs, jams and jellies, salsas, fresh cut flowers,

meat, eggs and crafts from over 30 local farmers. Come early to see the smiling faces and grab some delicious local produce at the Saturday Market.

The Warrenton Farmers' Market is also very excited to announce its location for the Wednesday Market. Fauquier Hospital will serve as host for the second year for this growing and re-energized Wednesday Market. The market will run through October 31. Plenty of vendors are showcasing their fresh, delicious produce, meats and baked goods up on the hill at the campus of Fauquier Hospital. The Wednesday Market, just like the Saturday Market, promises again to be an experience and celebration of all the delicious food grown in and around Fauquier County. This market will operate from 7:00 AM – 1:00 PM. As with the Saturday Market, all products are grown, farmed and produced in Virginia.

Conditions in the Northern Virginia area allow farmers to produce delicious fruits and vegetables all year long, and the farmers would like to remind everyone that enticing products are available throughout the season. You can get peaches in the spring, melons over the summer, and pumpkins and squash in the fall. Also, fresh meat and tasty baked goods are available each week.

Leave your pets at home and come see all the friendly faces at both of the markets this year. Don't miss out on this exciting showcase of local, mouthwatering favorites, as the market is set for its 37th season! ■



## Holiday Refuse Schedule

### Independence Day – July 4

**Monday, 7/2/12** – Regular refuse collection

**Tuesday, 7/3/12** – Regular refuse collection

**Wednesday, 7/4/12** – Holiday; no refuse collection

**Thursday, 7/5/12** – Regular refuse collection

**Friday, 7/6/12** – Regular refuse collection

### Labor Day – September 3

**Monday, 9/3/12** – Holiday; no refuse collection

**Tuesday, 9/4/12** – Double refuse collection

*(Both Monday & Tuesday's)*

**Wednesday, 9/5/12** – Regular recycling collection

*(cardboard, newspaper & blue bags)*

**Thursday, 9/6/12** – Regular refuse collection

**Friday, 9/7/12** – Regular refuse collection

### Columbus Day – October 8

**Monday, 10/8/12** – Holiday; no refuse collection

**Tuesday, 10/9/12** – Double refuse collection

*(Both Monday & Tuesday's)*

**Wednesday, 10/10/12** – Regular recycling collection

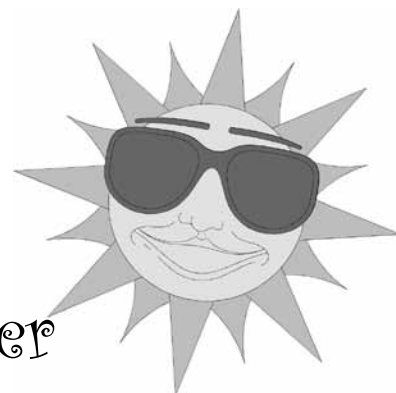
*(cardboard, newspaper & blue bags)*

**Thursday, 10/11/12** – Regular refuse collection

**Friday, 10/12/12** – Regular refuse collection

*\* During the holiday there will be a refuse truck available at the Public Works Facility, located at 360 Falmouth Street. ■*

Happy  
Summer  
from the  
Town of Warrenton!



## Leeper Promoted to Sergeant

The Warrenton Police Department is proud to announce that Officer Arthur Leeper has been promoted to Sergeant after a rigorous selection process. His promotion became effective April 28.

Sergeant Leeper is a native of Camp Hanford, Washington where he graduated from Decatur High School (Federal Way, WA). He went on to receive a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice from the University of Washington (Seattle), and subsequently earned his Master of Arts in Emergency Management from American Military University (Charles Town, WV).

Prior to his career in law enforcement, Sergeant Leeper served twenty years with the United States Marine Corps as an infantry and intelligence officer. He then served with the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office for twelve years, and joined the Warrenton Police Department in February of 2009.

Sergeant Leeper and his wife are proud members of the community and have raised five children. ■



## Motor Officers Complete Course

Warrenton Police Department Sergeant George Southard and Officer Will Hitchings recently completed the first Police Motor Officers Course conducted by the Department. This program is considered one of the most difficult and physically demanding courses of instruction offered to Police personnel. Officers must complete the course to be authorized to operate a police motorcycle.

The 160-hour course covered all facets of police motorcycle operations, including confined space maneuvering, escort procedures, off-road tactics and field training.

One of the most difficult and demanding facets of operating a police motorcycle is multi tasking. Officers must maneuver the motorcycle through all types of traffic and weather conditions, while looking for violators, monitoring and operating the police radio, radar and emergency equipment.

Compared to a regular street motorcycle, a police motorcycle is much heavier because of the weight of its emergency equipment. It takes this special training to learn to handle these motorcycles.

"This is much more difficult to control than a recreational motorcycle," Sgt. Southard said.

In addition to the initial training and certification, both



*Sgt. George Southard and Officer Will Hitchings are the Warrenton Police Department's newest motor officers.*

officers must attend a monthly refresher course to maintain and test their skills.

The primary duty of the Motor Unit is to raise awareness in high traffic areas. By enforcing motor vehicle code, motor officers help to reduce speeding and prevent serious accidents. The Motor Unit also participates in parades, community events, and extra selective patrol assignments. ■

## Those Nasty Summer Insect Pests!

There are a handful of insects that cause some type of damage to ornamental plants around Town almost every year. Two of the more common pests are bagworms and azalea lace bugs. Understanding their life cycle and the type of damage they cause is the best place to start in determining if and when control measures need to be taken to save your plants.

### Bagworms

Almost everybody has seen bagworms, but not everyone realizes there is a caterpillar in the bag eating the foliage, primarily on evergreens such as spruce, arborvitae, cedar, pine and Leyland cypress. Under ideal conditions, bagworms can cause serious damage and even death to susceptible plants.

Female bagworms lay eggs in their respective bags in late summer. The eggs hatch the following spring, usually in mid to late May. The young larvae leave the bag and immediately clip foliage off the host plant to form a tiny bag. They're quite small at this time, but will grow to about a half inch by early July. Still, at this stage, they are rarely noticed. They continue to feed and reach full size during late July and August, before pupation occurs. This is when you'll notice the damage they've done. By late summer the foliage that's been stripped from your plant will be obvious. Homeowners often comment that they "appeared overnight." But this is not the case; most likely they've been there all summer doing their damage.



### Dealing With Bagworms

Handpicking is a very viable option to control bagworms. Bags can be picked any time of year. From September to May, bags that are picked reduce the number of overwintering eggs. Pesticide treatments are best aimed at young larvae during mid to late June. After July rolls around, they can be difficult to control. Treating in late summer and early fall is a waste since they have pupated and there are no caterpillars in the bags.

Many pesticides are labeled for bagworms. Some of the more popular and safer products on the market are formulations of "Bt" (*Bacillus thuringiensis*). Bt is a bacteria that is ingested by the bagworms as they feed. It's toxic only to caterpillars and will not harm other insects or wildlife. Plants that are heavily damaged this summer may warrant treatment next spring, especially if

it's not possible to remove the bags. If there are only a few bags and little visible damage, handpicking should suffice. While handpicking works well for smaller shrubs, plants like mature Leyland cypress trees are far too tall to make picking a good option.

### Azalea Lace Bugs

Azalea lace bugs are the culprits that cause many of our azaleas to look pretty anemic by mid-summer. Azaleas in full sun are more prone to damage. The lace bug is small and lives and feeds on the undersides of the leaves. In addition to giving the leaves a bleached out appearance, the bottom of the leaves are flecked with small dark spots that are lace bug excrement. Many azaleas survive just fine with lace bug damage. They bloom in the spring, put out new growth, and then start to fade and look pretty poor for the rest of the season. Heavily damaged foliage may dry up by the end of the summer or drop during winter, but the plants usually survive.



*While lace bugs are small and hard to see, the damage they cause to azalea leaves can be spotted easily.*

### Lace Bug Treatment

Anyone who wants to treat for azalea lace bug needs to be aware that the insects are almost always on the underside of the leaves. Treating in May or early June may reduce the amount of damage visible in the summer. Popular non-chemical products like insecticidal soaps and oils can be effective if a forceful spray can be directed to the underside of the leaves. This may not be as easy as it sounds. Chemical products containing "acephate" are also available. This is a systemic product and can be sprayed over the top of the plant. In either event, treatment is geared early in the season to prevent damage. Treating after damage occurs may kill bugs, but the damaged foliage will not recover. ■

*The Warrenton Tree Board*

# News from the Parks and Recreation Department

## Summer Camps in Our Parks

The Town of Warrenton Parks and Recreation Department has something terrific to offer you for summer – some exciting camp experiences for kids. Here's a great way to get out and about this summer.

### Skateboard Camp

Maybe you've never been on a skateboard and want to learn. Or perhaps you're an experienced skateboard rider who wants to improve your skills. Either way, this camp is for you. Learn to ride, tack turn, olly, kick flip, grind, stall, drop in and get air at this camp for beginner to intermediate skateboarders. Have fun, be safe and learn fast under the guidance of an American Inline certified skateboard instructor.



**FOR:** Ages 6 -13; boys and girls welcome (minimum 8 participants, maximum 20)

**WHEN:** July 16 - 20

**WHERE:** Warrenton Skatepark, 800 Waterloo Road

**TIME:** 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

**COST:** \$175

### Soccer Camp

Are your kids ready to play? Make U.K. Petite Soccer Camps & Programs at Rady Park your child's first soccer experience! U.K. Petite Soccer will introduce your young children (ages 2 - 5) to the fun, healthy and exciting world of soccer. For more information and to register visit [www.ukpetite.com](http://www.ukpetite.com)

**FOR:** Ages 3 - 5; boys and girls welcome

**WHEN:** July 9 - 13, and August 20 - 24

**TIME:** 9:00 - 10:30 AM, and 10:45 AM - 12:15 PM

**WHERE:** Rady Park, Warrenton

**COST:** See website [www.ukpetite.com](http://www.ukpetite.com)



## Aquatic Programs at the WARF

### Summer Aquatics

The Summer 2012 Aquatics schedule is now available and registration is open. Swim lessons will begin June 18 (Block 1), June 22/23 (Block 2), July 9 (Block 3), July 23 (Block 4) and August 6 (Block 5). Lessons are available for infants, children and adults and for all ability levels.

### Junior Lifeguard Program

The WARF's Junior Lifeguard class is perfect for those age 10 - 15 who are interested in learning the ins and outs of what it takes to be a lifeguard including: water safety, hazards in aquatic environments, basic water rescue and first aid skills. Participants will work alongside the WARF Lifeguard Staff, gain valuable future job skills, and have lots of fun. Class starts July 9. Register by July 2.

### Upcoming Certification Courses

The WARF will be offering lifeguard certification courses in June and July. CPR/AED Re-certifications for lifeguards will also be held June 27, July 31 and August 15.

### Family Nights at the WARF

The WARF will be hosting Family Nights all summer long on Fridays from 6:00 – 9:00 PM. Bring your family and friends (and their families) to the WARF for Family Nights.



Family Nights at the WARF offer swimming, activities, games, music and family fun in both pools. An area in the Competition Pool will also be opened up (lane lines moved) for free swim. Come play a game of water basketball with the WARF's new aquatic basketball hoop in the Competition Pool. Family Nights will also feature Noodle Races and Limbo Contests. Look for food and ice cream concessions and more fun activities and prizes later this summer.

Remember, the more families that participate, the merrier, so tell your friends! Also, the more participation we get, the more activities and amenities we'll be able to offer. There is no additional cost for members, and non-members just pay the drop-in fee. We'll see you Fridays at 6:00 starting now until August 17!

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## WARF Walking Program off to a Great Start

Mild temperatures and sunny skies were a welcome sight to the nearly 50 participants who showed up for the first meeting of the WARF's Walking Program on Monday, April 16. WARF fitness instructors were on hand to guide and encourage walkers along the way.

"We have been so glad to see everyone who has come out and joined the walking program so far," said WARF Fitness Coordinator Elly Riedel. "We hope to see even more new faces out there as the weather warms up."

The Walking Program is free and open to participants of all ages and ability levels. Whether you are simply trying to get more active or you'd like to add a little something to your current fitness regimen, walking can help.

The group meets at the WARF and walks the trails and surrounding athletic fields while accompanied by a certified fitness instructor. The Walking Program is perfect for those who like to be outdoors, want to get in shape and meet new people. Participants can walk at a pace that is comfortable for them. There is also an option for those who want to chart their distance. The group meets Mondays and Thursdays from 9:00 – 9:50 AM. Participants can walk with the group as often as they would like -- the more, the merrier! Stop by the WARF Front Desk to register.

This walking program has been made possible by the generous \$10,000 grant donated by WARF member Clark and Vicki Wadlow. In addition to funding the walking program, the WARF will also use this grant to help build an "Outdoor Fitness Pit" next to the Fun-For-All Playground. The "Pit" will include a TRX training suspension system and several outdoor fitness stations. The WARF will also conduct outdoor specialty classes, including fitness boot camps and TRX, which will utilize the Fitness Pit. The WARF is still accepting donations to help complete the Fitness Pit and continue to fund the Walking Program. For more information, please contact Elly Riedel at [eriedel@warrentonva.gov](mailto:eriedel@warrentonva.gov), or call (540) 349-2520.



## Visit the WARF Online!

For up-to-date information and to view schedules, hours, newsletters and more, visit us online at [www.warrentonva.gov](http://www.warrentonva.gov). The WARF is listed under the Parks & Rec tab. Want to receive WARF emails? Send an email with subject line "Join email list" to [warf@warrentonva.gov](mailto:warf@warrentonva.gov). ■

## WARF Summer Hours

*(Effective June 18 - August 19, 2012)*

### FACILITY HOURS\*:

Mon. – Fri.	5:00 AM - 8:45 PM
Saturday	8:00 AM - 5:45 PM
Sunday	12:00 - 5:45 PM

### LEISURE POOL/SPA HOURS\*\*:

Mon. – Fri.	9:00 AM - 8:45 PM
Sat. & Sun.	12:00 - 5:45 PM

### WATER SLIDE HOURS:

Mon. – Thu.	1:00 - 5:45 PM
Friday	1:00 - 8:45 PM
Sat. & Sun.	12:00 - 5:45 PM

*\* Includes Front Desk, Fitness Room and Competition Pool. \*\* Adult Only Hour in Lazy River; weekdays 8:00 - 9:00 AM. \*\* Lazy River closed Tue./Thu. 10:15 - 11:05 AM and Mon./Wed. 6:30 - 7:20 PM for classes.*

## Home On the Range

### Summer Mowing Season

During the warmer months you're not the only one mowing your lawn! The Town would like to remind all residents to keep an eye out for Town crews mowing and weed-whacking along the roads and grassed public areas. They do their best to be seen; they wear yellow reflective vests to catch your attention. And the lawn mowing machines have flashing yellow lights.

### When Tidying Up Your Yard

Don't forget that the Town offers regular "brush collections" for larger limbs that have been cut by the homeowner.

Limbs should be placed curbside -- not blocking traffic or sidewalks, not in ditch lines or blocking culverts. Small limbs, twigs, vines and clippings should be bagged and placed out with your regular household refuse.

The Town will not pick up dirt, rocks, sod or stumps.

Remember that town crews don't pick up brush or limbs that have been cut by a contractor or landscaping company. That is the company's job.

Please be considerate of the amount of weight you put in your trash bags. If one man can't lift it, or he feels that the bag will burst, he'll have to leave it.

For more information, call the Public Works at (540) 347-1858. ■





## Hot Fun in the Summertime

### Warrenton's Ablaze with Cool Opportunities!

There's no excuse for boredom in the coming lazy months of summer. There is plenty to do in Town to keep you smiling and chilling with friends and neighbors. Here's a couple of suggestions for summer fun!

### Bluemont Concert Series

The Bluemont Concert Series is a summer tradition in the Town of Warrenton. Every Saturday night during the summer months there is entertainment on the Warren Green. It all starts Saturday, June 30, and runs till August 18.



Bluemont, a cultural arts organization that serves the region, books some of the best entertainment you'll

find anywhere. The concerts begin at 8:00 PM, and a small donation is requested to cover expenses. Many people pack a picnic dinner or get sandwiches from Subway and stake out their spot on the grass early. Often there is dancing in the street, and opportunities to meet the artists. All of the Bluemont concerts are family-friendly, so they're appropriate for children on up.

The official roster of entertainment is not quite complete yet, but you can stay abreast of what's coming to the Bluemont Concert Series by visiting the Bluemont website at [www.bluemont.org](http://www.bluemont.org).

### First Friday Fun

Come celebrate the first Friday of each summer month in Old Town Warrenton. There's plenty to do on Main Street from 6:00 – 8:00 PM. Main Street is closed to traffic, while shops remain open late with open house events and other special offerings. There's music, artists, entertainment for kids, sidewalk demonstrations and dinner specials at Warrenton's award-winning restaurants. Each First Friday is a little different, so come every month.

First Fridays in Warrenton are sponsored by the Partnership for Warrenton. You can learn more at [www.PartnershipForWarrenton.org/events](http://www.PartnershipForWarrenton.org/events).

### Have a Yankee Doodle Dandy Time!

The Town's annual 4th of July Children & Pet Parade starts at 6:00 PM. No motor vehicles are allowed, but decorate your kids and/or pets in red, white and blue, and get in line! Uncle Sam will be there to kick it off, and the Fauquier Community Band will perform patriotic music at the Old Courthouse. The Girl Scout Guard leads the procession, which typically draws 800 participants.

Parade line-up is at 5th Street beginning at 5:30 PM.

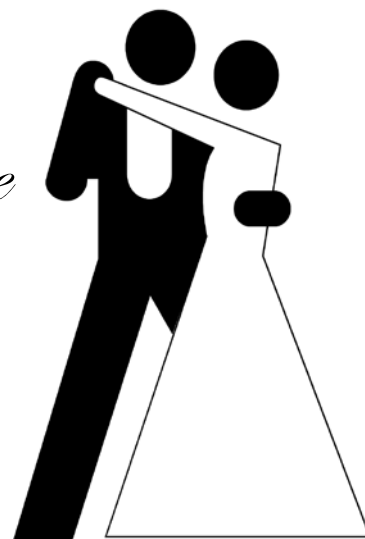
### So You Think You Can Dance?

Mark your dance card for Saturday, September 15 for the 23rd Annual "Evening Under the Stars." The event features a dance band, dancing in the streets, tastings from many of Warrenton's top restaurants, and plenty of social time with friends and neighbors.

"Evening Under the Stars" is a fundraising event sponsored by the Partnership for Warrenton. Funds benefit the town in many ways. Tickets go on sale August 1 at the Partnership for Warrenton office or website. Get yours early and save. Advanced tickets are \$40 per person. Tables can be reserved for \$400, which includes eight tickets to the event. For more information, consult the Partnership for Warrenton website ([www.PartnershipForWarrenton.org](http://www.PartnershipForWarrenton.org)) or call the office at (540) 349-8606. ■

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*Evening  
Under the  
Stars*





## Town Office Hours and Telephone Numbers

*Town Office Hours are 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM*

*The area code is 540 unless otherwise noted.*

Finance Department.....	347-1102
Inspections .....	347-2405
Maintenance Shop.....	347-1858
Police Department	
Office of the Chief .....	347-1105
Police Station .....	347-1107
Non-emergency .....	347-1100
<b>Emergency .....</b>	<b>911</b>
Planning and Zoning .....	347-2405
Recreation Department (Aquatic Center) .....	349-2520
Recycling .....	347-1858
Sewage Plant.....	347-1104
Town Hall.....	347-1101
Town Manager .....	347-4505
Utilities.....	347-6574
Water Bills.....	347-2678
Water Plant.....	347-1103
TTD/TTY .....	1-800-828-1120

**After Hours Water and Sewer Emergency**  
**347-1100**

## Looking Ahead to Fall Fall Clean-Up Week Scheduled

If you missed the Town of Warrenton's annual Spring Clean-Up, or you didn't get rid of everything you needed to, Fall Clean-Up week is scheduled for the week of October 15 - 19.

For those of you new to the Town, Clean-Up Week is when Town crews are available to pick up large refuse items not usually picked up during weekly trash collections.

Fall Clean-Up Week is a residential collection only. Watch for more specific details on what items will be collected soon.



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